REGIONAL FUGITIVE TASK FORCES

CATCH OF THE WEEK

Week of April 10, 2006

Taking the Worst of the Worst Off the Streets

Pacific Southwest Regional Fugitive Task Force (PSWRFTF)

On April 13, 2006 Craig Bernardo Lujan, a documented member of the "Dangerous Young Psychos" street gang, was arrested in Gardena, CA by members of the PSWRFTF, Parole Agents from the California Office of Correctional Safety Fugitive Team, and deputies from the Los Angeles The Kern County (CA) Sheriff's County Sheriffs Department. Department wanted Lujan for Attempted Murder and Felon in Possession of a Firearm, while the California Department of Corrections wanted him for Parole Violation. Following a dispute at a Rosamond, CA restaurant in January 2006, Lujan allegedly tracked down the individual with whom he previously argued, and shot the man three times in the head and chest. The man survived, but lost an eye in the shooting. **PSWRFTF** investigators, with critical assistance from both the Technical Operations Group (TOG) and the Financial Surveillance Unit (FSU), developed information on a possible location for Lujan in Gardena. Following a lengthy surveillance, investigators observed Lujan at the target location. PSWRFTF personnel moved in and safely took Lujan into custody.

Dangerous Young Psychos
Gang Member



Craig Bernardo Lujan
Wanted for:
Attempted Murder

New York/New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force (NY/NJ RFTF)

On April 10, 2006 Wayne Walters was arrested in New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport by investigators from NJ/NJ RFTF. The London Metropolitan Police wanted Walters for a June 2003 homicide. Walters, along with two other men, allegedly shot and killed a man during a failed drug deal. Authorities in London arrested Walters' alleged accomplices shortly after the shooting, and developed information that Walters fled to the United States. On April 04, 2006 authorities in London learned that Walters' young daughter would fly to New York to stay with him. Authorities in London forwarded this information to NY/NJ RFTF through INTERPOL. Investigators established surveillance in the airport terminal, and on the second day observed Walters greet a woman and child. NY/NJ RFTF personnel moved in and safely took Walters into custody. Incident to arrest, investigators seized falsified identification documents and \$6,000 of US currency from Walters. Walters currently awaits further extradition proceedings.



Wayne Walters

Wanted for:
Homicide

Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force (GLRFTF)

On April 07, 2006 Joseph Stevenson was arrested in Maywood, IL by members of GLRFTF who received critical assistance from Technical Operations Group (TOG) investigators. Authorities in Xenia, OH wanted Stevenson for Aggravated Murder and Robbery. In late March 2006, Stevenson and an associate traveled from Chicago, IL to Xenia, OH to allegedly participate in an illegal firearms deal. According to authorities in Ohio, the meet went awry, resulting in a shootout. Stevenson's associate and the arms dealer both died in the confrontation. Stevenson survived the shooting, stole an assault rifle, and evaded capture by fleeing to the Chicago area. In addition to the Ohio incident, Maywood authorities wanted Stevenson for questioning in a series of armed robberies and home invasions in that city. GLRFTF investigators developed information indicating Stevenson returned to the Chicago area, and that he would likely attend his grandmother's funeral. GLRFTF personnel established surveillance at the funereal, observing Stevenson as he briefly participated in the services. After Stevenson left the funeral, GLRFTF personnel immediately took him into custody.



Joseph Stevenson Wanted for: Aggravated Murder & Robbery

Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force (SERFTF)

On April 12, 2006 Ronald Hankins was arrested in Atlanta, GA by members of SERFTF, investigators from the Technical Operations Group (TOG), and officers from the Atlanta PD. Authorities in Delaware wanted Hankins in connection with two homicides occurring on March 30, 2006. Information developed by TOG suggested Hankins' location in the Atlanta area, possibly at the downtown bus station. Investigators immediately responded to the area in an attempt to locate Hankins, and upon entering the station located a subject matching Hankins' description. Investigators stopped this individual, who gave the name of William Staats, the fugitive's brother. Investigators identified this individual as Hankins and immediately took him into custody. Hankins' long, violent criminal history contains sixteen prior arrests for assault, burglary, robbery, probation violation, and resisting arrest.



Ronald Hankins
Wanted for:
Homicide

Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force (CARFTF)

On April 12, 2006 Mario Salamanca was arrested in Capitol Heights, MD by members of CARFTF. The Prince George's County Sheriff's Department wanted Salamanca for first degree Rape in connection with the sexual assault of an eight-year-old girl. The victim suffered from Down's Syndrome. Following a visit to a pediatrician, doctors learned the girl had been severely sexually assaulted. Medical workers notified Social Services and Prince George's County Police, and on March 01, 2006, authorities issued a warrant for Salamanca's arrest. CARFTF investigators developed information on Salamanca's probable location, responded to that target site, and took him safely into custody.



Mario Salamanca
Wanted for:
Rape